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## Council approves plan for Metro World Centre

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Staff Writer

A proposed 556-acre project took another step forward in Romulus Monday night.

Romulus City Council members unanimously approved a Planed Development Area (PDA) Monday night for the Metro World Centre.

The 556-acre site on the west side of Vining between I-94 and Ecorse Road will be a mixed use

space which could bring retail space, offices, high tech industry and inside entertainment to the city.

Councilman William Crova, who previously admitted to reservations about the issue, reversed his decision of two weeks ago and said he felt comfortable enough with the current information provided by Metro World to make a decision.

"I believe we have a good document for the city in reference to

this matter," said Crova.

Councilwoman Debbie Romak, who also expressed uncertainties about Metro World, made it a point during the meeting to clarify the separation of the PDA from the issue of casinos and a 120-acre horse track and clubhouse that has been proposed near the site.

"It's a lot of different mixes and I think the public needs to know all of these different mixes," said Romak. "I think the

main question here is can this PDA circumvent the public from having the right to vote on the public question of gambling? I was assured today that cannot happen."

Romulus currently has an ordinance prohibiting gambling within the city limits. In order for a casino or a racetrack with betting to be established in Romulus, that ordinance would have to be repealed by the city council.

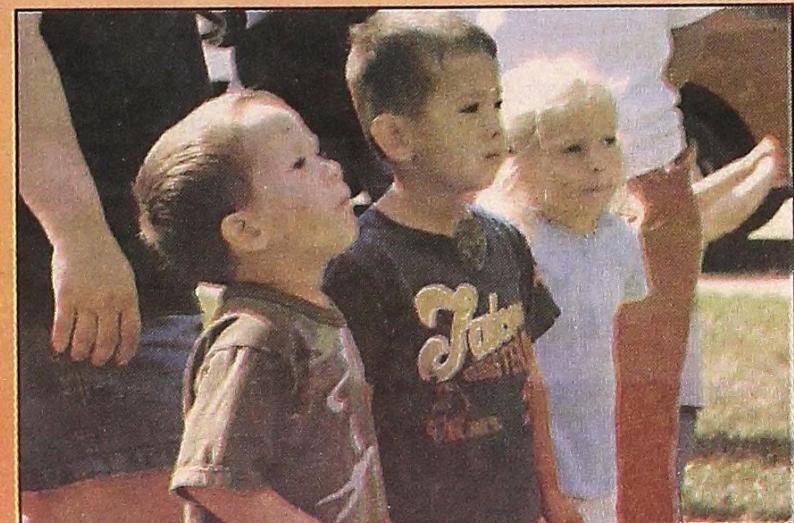
Several citizens voiced their own opinions regarding the casi-no issue and the Rev. Arthur C. Willis presented the council with 800 signatures asking for a referendum regarding the question of a casino/race track in Romulus.

"Council knew this would be a controversial issue. It has to go to a vote of the people," said Romak.

A study session will take place at 5:30 p.m. Oct. 6 regarding the current gambling ordinance.

### Pumpkin time

Last week, Romulus celebrated the arrival of fall with the annual Pumpkin Festival. Beginning the festivities was the Parade of Lights and the first place winner was the Romulus Community School Transportation Department 70s float, called Love and Peace. Below, one of the several bands who entertained crowds had the audience dancing in the aisles and at the bottom left, children enjoyed the pumpkin seed spitting contest. At right, below, Ken Williams, a member of the reenactment group Bloodsoul's Battery, and his compatriots camped out on the lawn across from the Romulus Historical Museum during the annual festival. The group is named after Hiram Bloodsoul, a notorious Civil War soldier who reportedly kept a black bear as a pet. At the bottom right, Ruth Whitmyer spins wool on a Pippy Wheel, a form of spinning wheel that originated in Australia. Whitmyer and other members of the Mill Race Weavers from Northville were part of a historical recreation at the festival.



## Police stalk big cat

Heather Connor  
Staff Writer

Residents of Van Buren Township reported seeing what is believed to be a cougar last week roaming the fields and woods near Leggs Lounge on Michigan Avenue.

Lt. Kenneth Brooks of the Van Buren Township Police Department said at least four residents and three police officers have seen the animal. Wildlife experts from Shiawasee County and Toledo have volunteered to try and catch it, he said. From the descriptions of eyewitnesses, the experts have determined the animal is probably a cougar, Brooks said.

"I would sure be glad to capture him," Brooks said.

A cage trap was set Thursday, and the cat was seen walking around and lying next to the cage and even touching it, but it would not go inside, according to Brooks. These behaviors indicate that the cat is probably domesticated, he said.

At least 15 different hunters' groups have offered to hunt it down, but it is too close to a residential area, he said. Homes are located to the north, east and south of the area while a trailer park is located to the west.

"We don't need hunters out there with their dogs shooting up the place," Brooks said.

A home has already been found for the animal at a wildlife sanctuary in North Carolina. The police and animal control hope to capture it soon, he said.

The public is asked to contact the Van Buren Police Department with reports of sightings or information at (734) 699-8930.

# Annual Crop Walk planned to aid hungry

Heather Connor  
Staff Writer

For many in Michigan, fall is the season to put on walking shoes and enjoy some of Mother Nature's best work. This year, area residents will have the opportunity to enjoy the beauty of fall and help feed the hungry during the annual Crop Walk.

The Crop Walk will begin at 1 p.m. Oct. 5. A 6.2-mile hike is planned from Community United Methodist Church in Romulus to Trinity Episcopal Church in Belleville. Walkers are encouraged to solicit donations before walking.

According to walk coordinators, 25 percent of the money generated during in each walk stays within the local community, including the Emergency Food Pantry in Belleville, the St. Vincent DePaul societies of Belleville and Romulus, the Belleville Church of God food closet and Helping Hands of Romulus.

Crop Walks also benefit Church World

Service, a national, multi-denominational, hunger relief organization comprising Catholic Relief Services, Lutheran World Relief, Christian Reformed World Relief, the National Association of Evangelicals W.R.C. and many others. The organization has hosted Crop Walk fundraisers since 1969 and helps the hungry in many nations.

"Church World Service provides needed help to children and families throughout our community, our nation and the world," said Belleville resident Philip Gordon Ives. "In response, the Michigan branch of Church World Service has been the leading Crop Walk fundraising region in America for the past 17 years."

The first Crop Walk in Michigan took place in 1971, according to officials. Since then walkers in Michigan have collected more than \$31 million for local hunger agencies and global programs in 80 countries.

According to Ives, 1,000 people walked

in the first ever Crop Walk on Oct. 17, 1969 in Bismark, N.D. The group earned \$25,000. The number of walks grew over the years by the hundreds.

"Each year, some 2,000 Christian communities across the United States sponsor Crop Walks. The key is people working together for a common cause," Ives said.

Ives said this year, 11 local churches will cooperatively sponsor this year's walk. Walkers will meet at Community United Methodist Church at Bibbins and Olive streets in Romulus, and have the option of parking at the finish line at Trinity Episcopal Church in Belleville and catch a shuttle bus to the starting line at

Community.

For those who cannot walk the entire 6.2 mile (10 kilometer) route, there is a "Golden Mile" short walk.

Transport vans will also operate all along the route should anyone need to quit early.

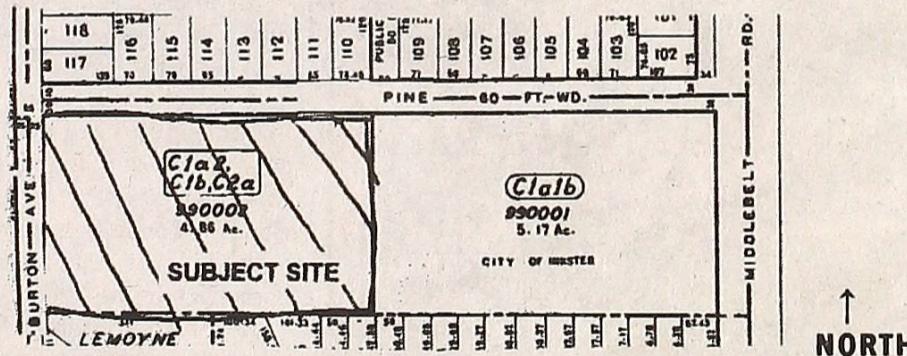
Rest stops and bottled water will also be provided along the walk route. Pizza, cookies and pop will await walkers afterward at Trinity.

To participate in the walk, contact Trinity Episcopal Church at (734) 699-3361. Trinity Episcopal Church is located on Belleville Road at the South I-94 Service Drive in Belleville.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF INKSTER, WAYNE, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, PURSUANT TO ACT 207 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, FOR 1921 AS AMENDED, THAT A PUBLIC HEARING MUST BE HELD TO CONSIDER A SPECIAL LAND USE REQUEST. THE CITY OF INKSTER'S PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACT, DURING ITS REGULAR MEETING ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2003. THE MEETING WILL COMMENCE AT 7:30 P.M. AND WILL BE HELD AT THE BOOKER T. DOZIER RECREATION COMPLEX, 2025 MIDDLEBELT ROAD, INKSTER, MICHIGAN 48141. THE APPLICANT, FACE TO FACE OUTREACH MINISTRIES, HAS PROPOSED TO OPERATE A COMMUNITY CENTER IN AN R-1B (ONE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) DISTRICT. PER THE CITY'S ZONING CODE, SECTION 155.041(C)(6), AS AMENDED OF THE CITY ORDINANCE NO. 277, THE PROPOSED USE IS PERMITTED SUBJECT TO SPECIAL LAND USE STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS PER SECTION 155.117. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED ON THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PINE STREET AND BURTON AND IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS THE FOLLOWING:

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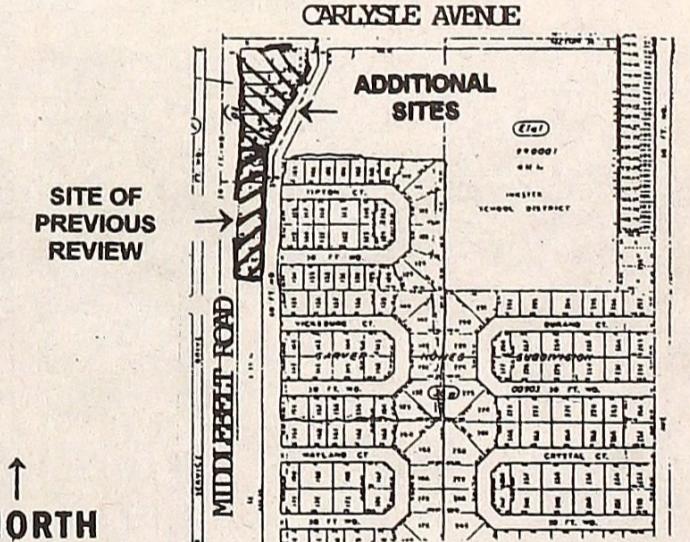


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# Councilman continues efforts to build animal shelter

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Staff Writer

Councilman William Wadsworth is seeking help through individual and corporate donations from the community in his quest to fund a new Romulus Animal Shelter and replace the existing 70-year-old structure.

In a letter to potential donors, Wadsworth said the current facility, "originally built in the early '30s, is woefully inefficient, providing bare minimum operations requirements for both animals and employees."

Located on Goddard Road near Wayne Road, the current shelter was built in 1933, according to Wadsworth. The current facility does not even have a lavatory. Staff members are forced to go to neighboring businesses in order to use the restroom.

He adds that the facility contains only 10 cages. About 2,400 animals were housed in the shelter in 2002, many of which were put down within two weeks due to the lack of space, says Wadsworth.

Wadsworth says the key component in the new shelter will be space.

"(We need) more cages so we can keep animals longer and increase the adoption rate," said Wadsworth. "Romulus has become a dumping ground for unwanted pets."

*We even have a company out of Brownstown that is willing to donate all of the paint, and paint it for free.*

Wadsworth estimates the cost of the new shelter at between \$300,000 and \$450,000. To date, about \$25,000 has been collected. The Friends of the New Romulus Animal Shelter managed to generate around \$1,800 by sponsoring bingo throughout the Pumpkin Festival last week.

"We even have a company out of Brownstown that is willing to donate all of the paint, and paint it for free," said Wadsworth.

Rather than call for a millage to fund the shelter, Wadsworth is asking individuals and local businesses to donate whatever they can spare. Donations to the shelter are tax-deductible.

Individuals who donate \$500 or more will be recognized on a memorial plaque. Contributions of \$25 or more will earn the donor recognition in a book of friends. To contribute, send checks made payable to "Friends of the New Romulus Animal Shelter" to Romulus City Hall, Treasurer's

Office, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus MI 48174.

Donations can also be made in the form of "Spartan" Universal Product Codes (UPC) labels. By cutting off the UPC scanner bars from the labels, packages, or cartons of Spartan brand products and turning them in at local schools, many area businesses, or the Romulus Animal Shelter, donors will earn money for the new shelter. For every 1,000 "Spartan" UPC labels collected, a \$20 donation will be made to the shelter fund.

If there are not enough donations to cover the cost of building a new shelter, the funds collected will be used to update and improve the existing facility, Wadsworth said.

Wadsworth says he's hoping to begin construction on a new shelter sometime in 2004. A location has not yet been decided, although Wadsworth said it will not be in a residential area, where the barking dogs could disturb the neighbors. He added that rebuilding at the current location or moving the shelter into the new Department of Public Works complex are both under consideration.

"Since the city already owns these properties, there would be no additional expense for purchasing the land," he said.

For more information or to make a donation, contact Wadsworth at 734-941-0616 or Kim Matthews of the Romulus Animal Shelter at 734-942-7591.



The Rev. William Kren, pastor at Community United Methodist Church in Romulus, said he's hoping for a good turnout at the 100th anniversary celebration Sunday. The church is still on the same spot, but in a second building. The first was destroyed by fire in 1978. The old bell is the only thing left of that building, but it still rings every morning.

original church in October of 1978. The second of two major fires the church experienced, he says that its destruction led church officials to consider simply closing the facility rather than rebuilding.

"The congregation refused to accept the closing and raised funds to rebuild," said Kren.

Because of the resolve of the congregation, the church was rebuilt, and the new building was dedicated in 1981. He added that the church has since expanded, thanks to an addition that cost about \$750,000, and increased the building capacity to about 250

people.

"The church has pioneer stock. That pioneer spirit continues today," said Kren.

Through the years, the church has seen Romulus grow up around it. As the city changed, the church "remained at the forefront of community activities," said Kren. In fact, Kren attributes the church's longevity to people who are "just totally committed to the church," as well as to the church's involvement in the community.

"If there's something going on in Romulus, we usually have members involved," said Kren.

## Centennial Church to mark 100th year of service to community

Meghan Chatham  
Staff Writer

One hundred years ago, Theodore Roosevelt was in the White House, Ford Motor Co. was newly formed, and what is now known as the Community United Methodist Church was founded.

Community United Methodist Church, which includes the former New Boston United Methodist Church, will host an anniversary celebration at 3 p.m. Sunday. Six former pastors and numerous former congregation members are expected to take part, according to the Rev. William Kren, pastor of the church.

"Special music is planned and a guest speaker will highlight the worship portion of the day. The building committee is making available commemorative souvenirs and a reception of light refreshments will be served," said Kren.

Kren expects between 250 and 300 people to participate in the festivities, though

everyone is welcome.

"This is an open invitation to all our friends and neighbors in Romulus," he said.

According to Kren, the church was originally formed early in 1903 when the Rev. John Carmichael and the Methodist Episcopal Society voted to incorporate the first Methodist Church in Romulus. Construction of the original red brick church began with a dedication ceremony at the corner of Olive and Bibbins streets on April 7, 1903, said Kren. He said that, within a year, construction was completed and the congregation moved into their new church, led by Carmichael as the first pastor. The entire project had cost about \$3,000.

"We started out from very humble beginnings," said Kren.

Kren said that from an original congregation of only a few dozen people, the church has grown to about 160 people.

"I've got families in our church that are fifth and sixth generation," said Kren.

According to Kren, a fire destroyed the

## From the heart City use of defibrillators is recognized

Ashley Lawrence  
Staff Writer

Members of the Romulus City Council were presented with a plaque from the American Heart Association in recognition of three automated external defibrillators (AEDs) purchased for the Romulus Fire Department.

State Rep. Bill O'Neil (D-Allen Park) and members of the Southern Wayne Board of the American Heart Association were on hand to present the plaque and explain the use and need of the AEDs in the Romulus community.

An AED is a small, portable device, weighing about 5 pounds, used to administer an electric

shock through the chest wall to the heart. A built-in computer assesses the patient's heart rhythm and judges whether defibrillation is needed and then administers the shock. Nearly 250,000 people die each year from sudden cardiac arrest.

The units, which will be placed on fire and emergency medical first response vehicles, will no doubt save lives, according to O'Neil.

"While CPR will keep oxygen circulating, a defibrillator is the only chance of survival for most of these 250,000 victims," O'Neil said. "As each minute passes without treatment, chance of survival decrease by 10 percent."

Councilman William

Wadsworth spoke about his experience in using these devices and suggested a unit be placed in city hall.

"I have seen it in the last three years at the airport years before my retirement," Wadsworth said. "At least six people who wouldn't have survived if it wasn't for this machine. I would hope that the next thing we do is put one here in city hall."

Romulus Fire Chief Bill Alison said that was in the works. "We are actually striving to put these devices in all municipal buildings, including our schools," he said.

The three units are together valued at nearly \$4,500.

## Eighth-grade students to tour historic sites

Meghan Chatham  
Staff Writer

behavior, and six chaperones will be gone from Wednesday, May 5 to Saturday, May 8, 2004.

Forty Romulus Middle School eighth graders will have the chance to relive history through visits to Gettysburg, PA and Washington, D.C. in May.

Dan McCabe, an eighth grade American History teacher, sponsored the field trip in an attempt to supplement the students' study of the American Civil War.

"By actually walking on the battlefields or standing in the spot where Lincoln gave the Gettysburg Address, this history will come alive for our students," said McCabe. The board of education recently approved the trip on the recommendation of Superintendent of Schools Joel Carr.

The students, chosen for excellence in both academics and

The trip includes tours of the Gettysburg National Military Park and Arlington National Cemetery. In addition, students will visit the United States Holocaust Museum, the National Air and Space Museum, and the Washington, D.C. monuments, McCabe said.

The trip costs about \$379 per student. The fee includes transportation via a chartered coach bus, hotel accommodations, admission to all of the sights, most meals, and a security guard on duty each night at the hotel.

As part of the package, the chaperones will be able to travel for free. Fundraisers are in the works to help students and their families defray the cost of the field trip.

# Hot rods

## Local car club wins competition, honors

Heather Connor  
Staff Writer

T.J. Stafford will long remember this past summer.

Stafford, president of the Fat Azz Car Club of Belleville, said the club had a fantastic season as members competed in various car shows across the state. The club took home the honor of Car Club of the Year from the Low 4 Life Car Club Low Rider Tour in Saginaw earlier this month. The club placed first at three consecutive shows and in the grand finale hosted by the tour.

Winning both the grand finale and the club of the year was important to both Stafford and the club members, Stafford said, as they made the tour a priority for the season.

"That's what everybody wanted," Stafford said. "That's what makes you or breaks you right there."

Stafford said the Fat Azz Car Club specializes in low-riders, street rods and customized vehicles. The club is like family, as many members are longtime friends from the Belleville, New

Boston and Ypsilanti areas, he said. Since competing in the AutoRama show in Detroit in February — where they earned eight trophies — the club has brought home nearly 25 trophies this season from shows in Taylor, Adrian, Lansing, Flint and Toledo. The club was also invited to participate in the National Low-Riders show in Chicago in July before it was cancelled due to inclement weather. Stafford said the event would have been their first national show.

Another significant change this year has been the inclusion of cars belonging to wives and girlfriends of club members in the competitions. Their contributions have been a welcome addition, Stafford said. Diane Whitesell, nicknamed "Byrd," won for Best of Show at one of the shows at Cinnamon's Auto Supply in Belleville, as well as first place in her category at the grand finale show in Saginaw. Another member, Angela Moore, has placed first in many shows with her 1999 Ultra-Z Camaro. The ladies compete in a tough category with their more modern



This 1954 Chevy Bel-Air has been the featured club car at many shows this summer by the Fat Azz Car Club of Belleville. It has earned first place at every show and helped the club win Car Club of the Year from the Low 4 Life Car Club Low Rider Tour.

cars and their success has been amazing, Stafford said.

Souping up hot rods and the fun of showing them off are not the only things members have on their minds. Earlier this year the club earned more than \$1,100 for the American Red Cross in support of troops serving in Iraq. The club generated nearly \$900 of that money in one day by washing cars in the McDonald's parking lot on Belleville Road in March.

Winning Best of Show is not the only competition the club takes seriously. The club participated in a tug-of-war at each

show this summer, going undefeated for more than two years until they competed in Saginaw. They were beaten by a car club with stronger participants, but the members have no hard feelings. Stafford said. They were happy to be treated so well by the Low 4 Life club and honored to have participated, he said.

"Like with football or basketball teams, there's always some kind of rivalry between them," Stafford said. "The same goes for car clubs."

The Fat Azz Car Club will also be featured in magazines such as *Low Rider*, *Boulevard*, and *Street*

*Customs* in the near future, Stafford said. The magazines will feature photos taken at various shows the club attended throughout the year.

The club will compete in their last show of the season Sunday at the Gibraltar Trade Center in Taylor, hosted by the United Street Machine Association.

Stafford said the club members will spend the winter gearing up for AutoRama next year, where they hope to compete in the Best Low-Rider category.

The club plans to take at least 10 cars to AutoRama next year, he said.

## 5 hopefuls seeking term on Wayne-Westland School Board

Theresa Wherrett  
Staff Writer

secretary in the administrative offices of Wayne-Westland Community Schools. "Then the board will vote. They should have a decision that evening."

The meeting is open to the public, according to Teague.

The appointee will serve the remaining 289 days of Eisminger's term, which expires on June 30, 2004. According to Teague, all candidates must be United States citizens, live in the Wayne-Westland school district, and be registered voters.

The five candidates are:

**Terrance McClain** McClain has lived in Wayne since 1997 and is a minister with the

Annapolis Park Church of Christ in Westland.

Two of McClain's children graduated from Wayne Memorial High School. McClain is due to receive his Bachelor of Science degree in counseling/psychology this December.

**Chad Campbell** Campbell is a Westland resident and is currently employed as a sales manager with Wild Bill's Bike Shop in Wayne. Campbell has a bachelor's degree in business administration from Eastern Michigan University.

**Lori Mireles-Smith** Mireles-Smith, a Westland resident, has a Bachelor of Arts degree from the

University of Michigan. Mireles-Smith is employed as a finance/order processing manager for LMS North America in Troy and is the mother of two school-age children.

**Michael Laurain** Laurain has lived in the Wayne-Westland district for 17 years.

His two sons attended Edison Elementary, Marshall Middle School and John Glenn High School. He is a store manager for Farmer Jack and has a bachelor's degree in business administration.

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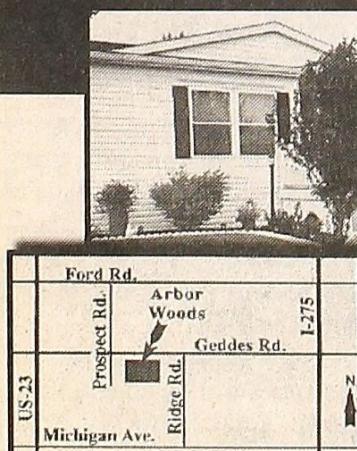
**Victoria Porter-Wood** Porter-Wood recently retired from Ford Motor Co. after working for 31 years as a bankruptcy specialist. She is currently working as a service coordinator for Jack Demmer Ford.

She is a Westland resident and a parent, and has attended Schoolcraft College, Washtenaw Community College and Henry Ford Community College to study business administration.

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# Hot stuff

## Bikers and championship chili cooks to compete in downtown Plymouth next month

Meghan Chatham  
Staff Writer

Chili connoisseurs will be heading to Plymouth next month for the Great Lakes Regional Chili Cook-Off.

The competition, planned from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. Oct. 12, will feature traditional red chili, green chili, and salsa recipes by more than 50 cooks from around the coun-

try. According to Annette Horn, chairperson of the chili cooking competition, green chili features white meat and green chilies, without any of the red ingredients found in traditional chili.

The entries will be judged on overall flavor. According to Horn, who has competed in the world championship several times, the texture of the meat and "gravy" that isn't "too soupy or too thick" are also

keys in creating a winning chili. Cash prizes and trophies will be awarded. The first place winner in each category will advance to the World Chili and Salsa Championships in Reno, NV.

"Our winner from last year's cook-off actually won the World Championship in 1996," said Horn.

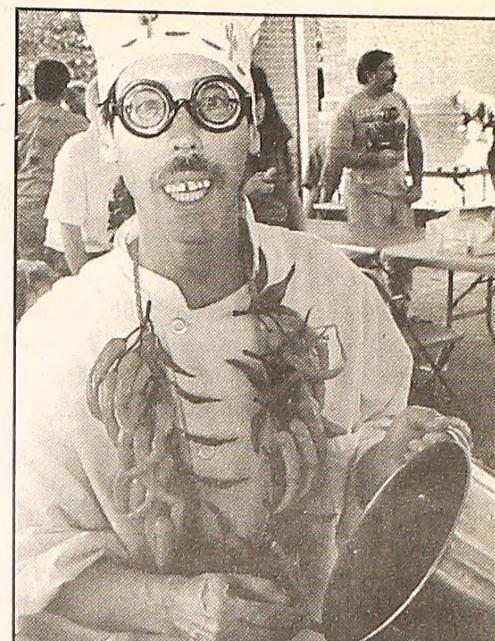
A "Restaurant Chili Challenge" will also take place, as local restaurants vie for a trophy and bragging rights. The public will select the winner by voting on their favorite chili.

Samples of the competition chili will be available starting at 3 p.m. for \$1 a cup. The restaurant chili contest entries will be available from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. for \$3 a bowl.

According to Horn, last year the competition brought about 20,000 people to downtown Plymouth. She said she anticipates a similar crowd this year, if the weather is good.

"We're happy to squeeze a few more in there," she added. "The first year we didn't know what to expect, and we were surprised to get about 3,000 people."

In addition, the competition will include a Ride-In Motorcycle Bike Show, featuring around 3,000 bikes. Sponsored by Motor City Harley Davidson, both Harley and non-Harley bikes will have a chance to compete in 15 different classes, including ugliest bike. Winners chosen by the public will receive trophies.



Last year, cooks brought their sense of humor along with their recipes to the chili cook-off.

Registration will take place from 10:30 a.m. until noon and is open to the public. There is a \$10 entry fee.

Bobby Lewis and the Cracker Jack Band is scheduled to perform, and anyone who is interested in line dancing can pick up some pointers from dancers who will be on-hand to perform and teach the steps. A moonwalk and other children's activities will be available, too.

All net proceeds from these cook-off activities will benefit the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association and the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity.

All of the events will take place in downtown Plymouth at Kellogg Park and throughout the surrounding area. Because of the event, some downtown streets will be shut down for the day. Main Street will be shut down between Church and Wing, Ann Arbor Trail will be shut down between Forest and Deer, and Penniman will be shut down between Main and Deer.



Not to be outdone, chili cooks have decorated their booths for the competition with previous awards and special effects.

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# OPINION

## An eye on the future

To some people in the Northville community, there is a vast discrepancy between the needs or desires of the residents and the recreation projects currently in the planning or construction phases.

After all, a recent survey of the community showed an overwhelming desire for more passive recreation areas like bike trails and walking paths rather than additional athletic fields that are typically most often used by organized sports clubs and leagues.

Before this survey was even finalized, though, officials in Northville Township had already made plans to redevelop Millennium Park, providing two soccer fields there, and expand Community Park, providing a bevy of athletic facilities – more soccer fields, baseball fields, volley ball courts, basketball courts, even a lacrosse field – there, as well.

What's going on?

Well, believe it or not, it's actually some smart planning.

Township officials have drawn some criticism for their plans to expand Community Park. The \$3 million first phase of the project will eat up the bulk of the funds generated by a parkland acquisition and development millage approved by township voters, but it makes sense for several reasons.

The first, and biggest, is because the first phase of the expansion, which includes the bulk of the infrastructure work, is the most expensive part and it is logical to attack it while there is a dedicated revenue stream. There is no guarantee that the millage will be re-approved if it is requested in 2006. With the infrastructure in place – along with the additional soccer, baseball, volleyball fields and other amenities planned in the first phase – it will be easier for the township to develop other parts of the park until it eventually reaches its 119-acre capacity.

When it's done, it will provide virtually every type of recreational facility an upscale community should have. About 30 acres of the park have been set aside for passive use; there will be walking paths, a fishing pond, an amphitheater, playscapes and picnic areas and more.

The second is because township officials continue to seek out less expensive ways to achieve their other goals of providing passive recreation areas. The Millennium Park project is a good example of that. Where else could a community get two soccer fields, a bike path, and expanded parking lot and more at the cost of only \$130,000 in taxpayer funds?

Township officials are also partnering with developers and seeking grants to expand the bike path system, something that was non-existent only a few years ago and now contains more than a dozen miles of asphalt. It's easy to look at the needs now and lose sight of the needs of the future. But township officials have apparently not done that; they recognize that as many as 15,000 additional residents will come flooding into the community before their growth spurt drops off, residents that will require more athletic fields just as they want to ride their bikes, visit nature centers or simply go out and walk in the woods.

They hope to be able to provide all of that, and they will. All it takes is more smart planning.

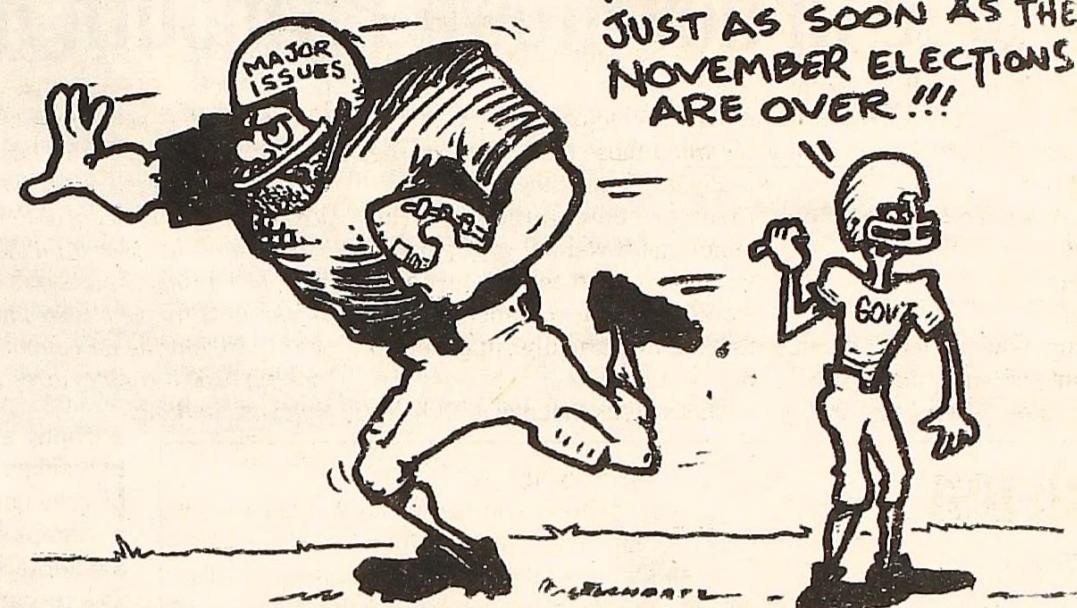
## Court decision should weigh all the available evidence

It will be interesting to see which prevails when a new judge is appointed to serve the 29th District Court, in Wayne politics or experience.

Judge Carolyn Archbold will retire in the middle of her term, leaving more than three years unfinished. Several candidates who would like the opportunity to serve the community in that role have announced their interest in the job.

Those candidates range in the depth of their legal and political experience.

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## What price to pay for progress?

Ever since there have been businesses and homes, there have been arguments about one encroaching on the other.

That situation will most likely become more frequent, rather than less frequent, as the population grows and the economy recovers. Nobody is making more land, after all.

The situation often presents a difficult line for municipal planners to walk, whether they are the paid consultants or staff members who do the bulk of the research and preparation or the primarily volunteer bodies that make the decisions on them. They are often called to balance the need for economic expansion with the need to protect their neighbors who are sometimes impacted by that expansion.

It's often a thankless job, too, because no matter what they decide, there's a real potential for one side to walk away angry.

That was the case when the Wayne Planning Commission voted to move on a recommendation to transform a residential property to a commercial one to facilitate the expansion of Artman's Nursery on Michigan Avenue.

It would be the second such expansion Artman has attempted in the last year – he previously purchased city-owned land along Michigan Avenue so he could build his business to the east, too.

This was different, though. This allowed, or will allow – the city council makes the final decision – the business to creep further up the residential block, to where resident Don Harding is trying to raise a family. Harding voiced his disapproval to the commission, but

## Perfection can't be controlled

Lynn was explaining how our conversation was just what the doctor ordered. "I'm stressed, tired, disappointed and just blah," she said over the phone.

"Why?" I asked.

"I know why," she answered. "It's because I'm such a control freak."

"Why do you suppose you're so stressed?"

"Oh, I don't know, work is demanding, marriage is tough, I'm tired," Lynn said, "and I have all these expectations."

"I learned the hard way that expectations, nine times out of 10, lead to my disappointment," I said.

"I'm disappointed 99 percent of the time," she confirmed.

"What's that say to you?" I asked.

"That maybe I shouldn't expect so much?"

"Bingo, and how about: 'If those people would just do as I say, then I'd feel great?'" I said. "What's that tell you?"

"That I'm trying to control the people that work for me?" She said intensely.

"And that when they don't meet your expectation, your feelings are hurt and your spirit is dulled." I said, leading a little. "So, where did you get it in your head that you have to be perfect?"

"Wow," she replied. "So I'm controlling, or trying to control others to live up to my expectations and

didn't sway them.

I can see his point. It's unlikely that the construction of a wall and the removal of the barbed wire atop of it will help bring any more peace to what he said is already a noisy operation if and when the home next to his is torn down to make room for the expansion.

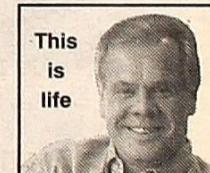
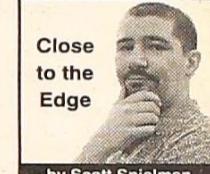
I was surprised that the planning commission didn't agree – except for my fellow scribe Kurt Kuban, the lone planning commissioner who voted against the rezoning.

Now, I don't know the history of the Artman's property. I wasn't around to see what it looked like before he bought it and moved his business there, although I've heard plenty of horror stories. I'm glad that he's successful here, because his town is my town (Artman lives in the City of Wayne, too) and I wish him all the success in the world, but not at the expense of existing residents.

My first home in Michigan shared a similar fate as the one proposed to be torn down. It's now part of a parking lot at the Murray's Auto Parts store on Plymouth Road in Redford. I remember how shocked I was when I drove by it one day, shaking my head and thinking there was a Joni Mitchell song in there somewhere.

It's too late to save that home, but a decision hasn't been reached at the Wayne property.

The city council will rightfully host a public hearing about the plan on Oct. 7. There's plenty of time for city officials to ask themselves, how much is too much?



I'm setting myself up by demanding perfection," Lynn said.

"Exactly," I said. "Why is the marriage tough?"

"Relationships just are," she answered. "and I'm so damn controlling."

We talked about how Lynn allows little things bother her, like a broken screen at the house and how she had asked her husband to fix it. Seven months later, it's still not fixed.

"When I say something about it," Lynn said, "he gets resentful."

"Yeah, I thought, it's probably something like, 'Are you ever going to fix that screen?'" My mind shifted to another approach.

"Have you told your husband how you feel loved?" I asked.

"Humph."

"What's really destructive to relationships is our 'old pictures' of romance and love, painted for us by Hollywood, TV and romance books," I said. I explained that the old picture is; when we fall in love, he or she will make me feel warm, wonderful, appreciated and loved. And all of that will happen

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## Control

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without telling that person how we need to be loved.

"Do you feel loved and appreciated if your husband brings you a cup of coffee while you're still in bed?"

Lynn laughed, "That would never happen, he'd tell me to get my own."

"But, would you feel loved if he did do it?"

"Yeah, sure, it'd be great," she answered.

"Tell him."

"What?"

"Tell him how you feel. Like in, Joe, I want you know that if you'd bring me coffee when I first wake

up, I would feel loved and appreciated.' You're taking him out of the dark and changing that old negative picture that told you he would make your life wonderful—and he'd do it automatically—because he loved you."

"I see," Lynn said. "That's a terrific idea."

"I suggest you keep what you say all on your side, forget the word, 'you'."

The problems begin for a lot of us, when those old—"If he or she really loved me, they'd know" pictures are compounded by the belief that if you tell your partner what you need to feel loved, it would ruin the romance or love that's automatically supposed to be.

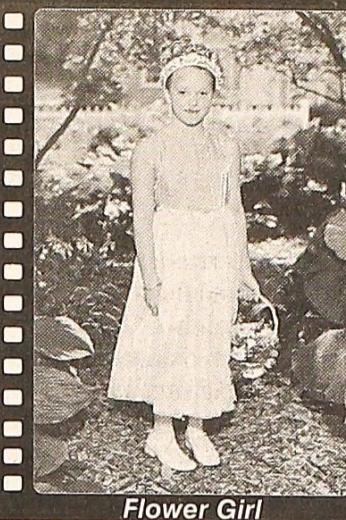
Let's break that down. "If he or

she would"—an expectation? Definitely—without you telling the other person. That's a super duper unreal expectation that could only lead to disappointment.

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## Decision

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rience but they all realize what a boon it would be to secure the post with little or no campaign expense. It's true that whoever is appointed will have to seek election after serving only one year. The successful candidate will then fill out the remaining portion of Archbold's term. Most of the candidates are experienced enough to know it's very difficult to unseat a sitting judge, no matter how long they have been on the bench.

The role of the district court judge is an important one in the community; nobody would argue that. The person who takes on that responsibility can have a significant impact on the quality of life for Wayne residents, and possibly impact the future of would-be offenders.

It's not a decision that should be taken or

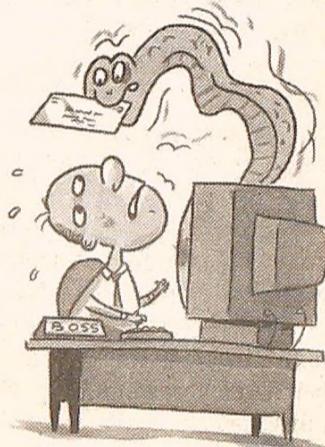
made lightly.

When it comes time for that decision, it's our hope that it will reflect the input of those most likely to use the court system, particularly members of the public safety department. While the police officers in Wayne may not want to publicly declare it, they've had occasion to be unhappy with the way they're treated at the court. "Belittled" and "disrespected" are words they commonly use when they refer to their experiences there.

Ultimately it's a decision that Gov. Jennifer Granholm will make, and spokespeople from her office have said that she will take into account different recommendations from interested bodies like the State Bar of Michigan, as well as those from elected officials and legal professionals.

Hopefully, those recommendations will include input from police officer unions, and whoever is appointed to the post will be willing to build a new era of cooperation.

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# Wayne Band Boosters' annual event set for tomorrow

Scott Spielman  
Editor

Members of the Wayne music booster clubs are looking for two things this year: talent and money.

Kim Christoffersen, publicity chairperson of the band boosters, said they would host an annual Band Night at the home Wayne Zebra football game tomorrow.

It's an opportunity for anyone in the eighth grade music program to express an interest in the high school marching band, and to perform with them at the

football halftime show.

"It's only for band students interested in playing in the marching band," Christoffersen said.

The event is an annual one, and boosters send out flyers through students Franklin and Adams middle schools.

There are some students at Stevenson that will go on to high school at Wayne Memorial, as well.

She said the idea is to get the information out to as many sources as possible.

"Kids don't always tell their parents

everything," she said.

The band boosters earn their own funds to promote the music programs, too, she said.

Their largest fundraiser, the annual fruit sale, will take place from Nov. 24-Dec. 3.

The Instrumental Music Boosters club meets on the second Monday of every month at Wayne Memorial High School.

"Anyone is welcome to come, if their children are interested in taking band classes," she said.

## CITY OF WAYNE

Motion by McEachern, seconded by Hartford and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adopt Ordinance 2003-10, an ordinance to amend the codified ordinances of the City of Wayne, as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-10

### AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYNE

#### THE CITY OF WAYNE ORDAINS:

Section 1. THAT THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYNE BE AMENDED BY THE ADDITION OR SUBTRACTION TO PART FOUR, TRAFFIC; CHAPTER 418.00, UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE

#### 418.01 ADOPTION BY REFERENCE

The City of Wayne hereby adopts by reference the provisions of the Uniform Traffic Code (MCLA 257.951, et seq.), all amendments thereto that have been passed by the State legislature with effective date on or before October 5, 2003, a copy of which is on file with the City Clerk. In the event that any amendments are made to the state statute, such amendments shall be deemed to be adopted by reference and incorporated herein, except such portion as may hereinafter be amended or deleted specifically by subsections of this chapter.

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall be published as required by law.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall become effective ten days after enactment and upon publication thereof.

Mary E. Carney  
City Clerk

Adopted: September 16, 2003  
Published: September 25, 2003  
Effective: September 26, 2003

## NOTICE OF THE LAST DAY FOR RECEIVING REGISTRATIONS FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF INKSTER ON NOVEMBER 4, 2003

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any qualified elector of the City of Inkster, County of Wayne, Michigan, who is not already registered to vote may register for the Regular Election to be held on November 4, 2003 in the City of Inkster.

On Monday, October 6, 2003, which is the last day for receiving registrations for the election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2003, the City Clerk will be at the Clerk's office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, for the purpose of receiving registrations of qualified electors.

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THE LAST DAY FOR RECEIVING REGISTRATIONS FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2003, WILL BE MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2003.

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Kimberly Turner, CMC  
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## CITY OF WAYNE

Motion by McEachern, seconded by Shackelford and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adopt Ordinance 2003-11, an ordinance to amend the codified ordinances of the City of Wayne, as follows:

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The City of Wayne hereby adopts by reference the provisions of the Michigan Vehicle Code (1949 Public Act 300, MCLA 257.1 to 257.923, as amended), **all amendments thereto that have been passed by the State legislature with effective date on or before October 5, 2003**, a copy of which is on file with the City Clerk. In the event that any amendments are made to the state statute, such amendments shall be deemed to be adopted by reference and incorporated herein, except such portion as may hereinafter be amended or deleted specifically by subsections of this chapter.

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# Jaycees sponsor local teen suicide prevention program

Theresa Wherrett  
Staff Writer

This is youth suicide awareness week and the Westland Jaycees want the community to know that help is available.

The Jaycees, who have been working with the Michigan Chapter of the Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program, started the week with a candlelight vigil in remembrance of loved ones lost to suicide.

"When we first started talking about suicide prevention a few years ago," said Jennifer Sroczynski, "we asked the Jaycees if they knew of anyone that had committed suicide. Almost every hand was raised." Sroczynski has been with the Jaycees for eight years and helped to organize the vigil.

The vigil was Sunday evening at the Westland Bailey Recreation Center Ball Diamonds. The three-hour service included speakers, choirs and a reading of names of loved ones.

The vigil was a prelude to talks and forums continuing throughout the week.

"We try to get into schools and provide options," said Glenda Everett, Michigan director for yellow ribbon. "I'm giving talks all this week. On (Sept.) 24 I'll be at Ladywood High School. I'm talking during the day to the students, and then again at night to the parents."

Everett, who lost her 14-year-old son, Jesse, to suicide six years ago, said, "Suicide is the second leading cause of death for people 15-19 years old. It is absolutely necessary to get the child help."

Everett said her talks cover topics such as the truths and myths of suicide, how to

identify depression, where to seek help and how to be a good friend.

"We are really trying to empower the community," she said.

Nearly 5,000 teenagers take their own lives each year, according to the American Psychiatric Association. Thousands more attempt suicide but are unsuccessful.

Anyone who is considering suicide or knows of someone who needs help can call the national crisis hotline at 1-800-SUICIDE.

## Suicide Awareness Week Suicide Danger Signs

As part of her suicide prevention lectures, Glenda Everett, Michigan director for yellow ribbon, talks about how to recognize depression.

"Not everyone who takes his or her life is depressed," she said, "but these are some warning signs."

- Use of drugs or alcohol
- Withdrawal/isolating themselves from others
- Dropping out of activities that had been considered fun
- Complaints of headaches or stomach aches
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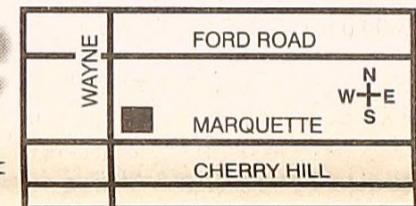
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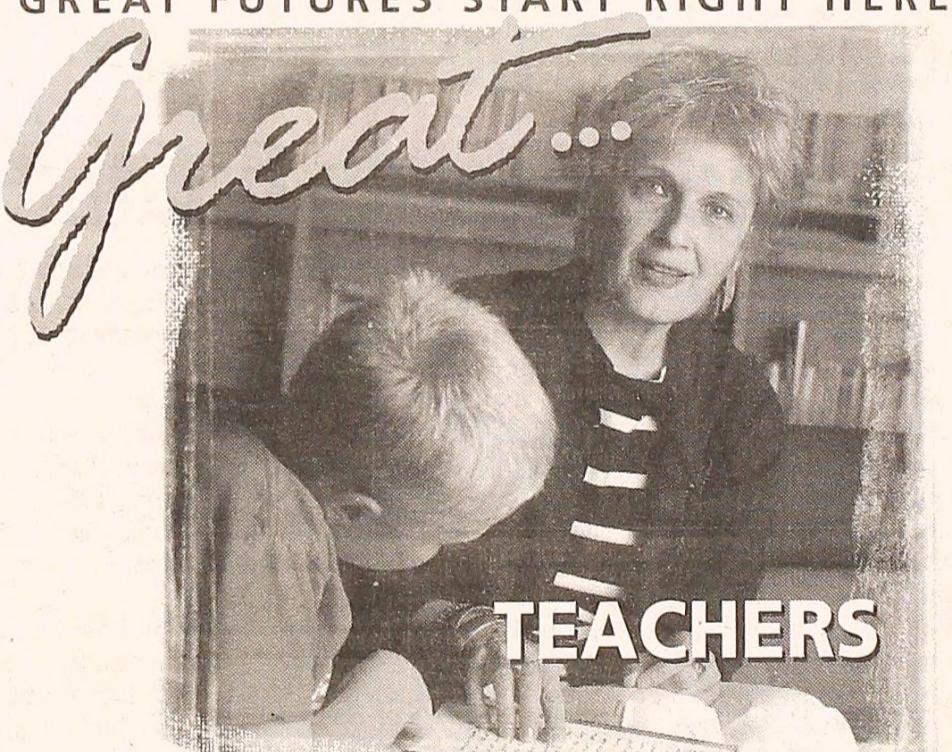
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# City to host open house at new Wayne Fire Station

Scott Spielman  
Editor

Members of the community will have two opportunities next month to tour the new fire station in the City of Wayne.

The new structure, located on Wayne Road where the first Wayne Fire Station stood, is virtually complete and ready for occupancy, according to Fire Chief Rob Dahlman.

The department will host the first of two open houses there from 6-9 p.m. on Oct. 2, he said. That will also be when the station is officially dedicated to the community. He said that the dedication ceremony would take place at about 7 p.m.

The building represents a substantial upgrade in both space and facilities for the department, which is currently operating out of temporary facilities in the Department of Public Works yard off Forest Street, just east of Wayne Road. Even that 10,000 square foot space is larger than the former 7,500 square foot fire station, but the new 20,000 square foot structure dwarfs them both, Dahlman said.

It's got four bays for trucks and emergency vehicles, all of which are equipped with the latest in fire department features. Exhaust hoses reach down from the ceiling, attach directly onto the exhaust hoses of the trucks to absorb diesel fumes - they pull off and retract automatically when the trucks leave the station, Dahlman said.

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The living quarters are expanded, as well, he said. The new station features eight semi-private rooms with beds for the crew, according to Dahlman. The department runs three shifts of seven fire fighters each, so there's an extra bed.

"We planned and built the station with room to grow," he said.

There's also expanded locker rooms for both the male and female members of the department, a larger living room, a conference room between Dahlman's and the deputy chief's office and a high-tech training room that can comfortably seat 35 fire fighters as well as a quiet study room.

It's well populated with windows that bring in plenty of natural light and offer views of the lower Rouge River and woods around it.

"That was all thought out when we designed it," he said.

The city sold \$5.2 million in bonds to finance the construction of the new station, but the bond payments will be repaid through the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) funds, not through the general funds of the city.

The second open house will take place on Oct. 11, when the department hosts the annual pancake breakfast, Dahlman said.

The breakfast takes place from 9 a.m. to noon, and there will be an open house from noon to 3 p.m., he said. Tickets for the breakfast are \$4 for adults and \$3 for children less than 10 years old.

"It's always very popular," Dahlman said.

# Tougher test standards adopted for drunk drivers

Theresa Wherrett  
Staff Writer

Effective Oct. 1, drivers with a .08 blood alcohol level will be considered intoxicated. The level was .10 prior to a change in state, federal and local laws.

The City of Westland recently added chapters to the city code stating that a person with .08 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood is "operating while intoxicated," according to City Attorney Angelo Plakas.

The changes follow the lead set by the State of Michigan, which changed the statutes to comply with federal standards, he said. Highway funds are allocated based on adherence to the federal guidelines, he added.

Convicted violators of the law can expect to face one or more penalties including up to 360 hours of community service, imprisonment of up to 93 days and/or a fine between \$100 and \$500.

"This is a real substantive change," said Plakas. "We need to amend the code because it is better to err on the side of caution. We want to leave no loopholes."

Jenny Lozano, chapter director for Wayne County Mothers Against Drunk

*It doesn't take much alcohol to impair a person's judgment. I've handled fatal cases here where the driver had less than .10 (blood alcohol level).*

Jenny Lozano

## Student radio station is named awards finalist

Sharon Emeigh  
Staff Writer

Three Canton youths and their advisor, Bill Keith will travel to Naperville, Ill. in November for the John Drury High School Radio Awards.

The Plymouth-Canton Community School District high school student radio station, WSDP, 88.1 FM on the dial, was named a finalist in five categories.

Allie Sturk, Salem High School senior, was nominated for Best Sports Play-by-Play. Greg Angel, 2003 Salem graduate, was nominated for Best Newscast, Best Sportscast, and Best Promo. Angel now attends Central Michigan University.

Mary Radcliffe, 2003 Canton High School graduate, was nominated for Best Newscast. Radcliffe now attends Western Michigan University.

Last, but certainly not least, Bill Keith, WSDP advisor for 12 years, was nominated for Best Radio Station Advisor.

The student station signed on the air Feb. 14, 1972. The general format is independent rock, but they have specialty shows throughout the week featuring different kind of music such as hip-hop or 80s sounds, said Sturk, who is the music director for the station.

"Students put in 10 to 20 hours per week either on-air or behind the scenes," said Keith. "They put in an amazing amount of work."

The students run the station, said Keith. There are 23 students on staff now.

Driving (MADD), hailed the change.

"It's already been proven that .08 saves lives," Lozano said. "It doesn't take much alcohol to impair a person's judgment. I've handled fatal cases here where the driver had less than .10 (blood alcohol level)."

Lozano said that 39 states are already on board with the new regulations. "This is just like when the drinking age switched from 18 to 21," she said. "Now 21 is the norm and .08 will be the norm. It will take some adjustment, but we'll get used to it."

Westland police officers are prepared for the change, according to Sgt. Daniel Karrick of the Westland Traffic Bureau.

They work specific hours targeted toward drunk driving, and will continue to give sobriety tests.

"I hope it affects drivers," said Karrick. "A high percentage of fatal accidents involve alcohol."

According to Karrick, Westland police made 505 alcohol-related traffic arrests between Sept. 1, 2002 and Sept. 1, 2003. That number includes all persons operating under the influence of liquor, both above and below .10 blood alcohol level.

and another 10 will be joining the staff in the next few weeks, according to Keith.

The radio station is an extracurricular activity for most of the students, said Keith. Just like joining the football or cheerleading teams, the radio station is a great way to make friends, said Sturk.

"I joined the station in the spring of my freshman year and right away made friends. I've made several long lasting relationships," said Sturk.

Sturk is nominated for Best Sports Play-by-Play, but she does a little of everything, she said. She is the sports and music director, she does some production, and she hosts a hard rock show as well.

One of the best parts of her job, said Sturk, is that she often gets music from record labels before their release date.

"All of my friends are jealous because I get to listen to CDs a week before anyone else," said Sturk.

Sturk has also gained invaluable knowledge about broadcasting, she said, although she does not plan to pursue broadcasting as a career.

The awards will be presented Nov. 15, and will be hosted by ABC-Chicago news anchor John Drury.

WSPD is owned and operated by the Plymouth-Canton Community School District, said Keith.

The station is celebrating 31 years of service to the Plymouth-Canton community.

"We're really excited for the students being recognized," said Keith. "Their work is definitely worthy of recognition."

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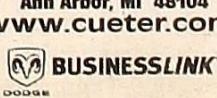
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# Back to the future

## New auto repair shop replicates building from pages of history

Theresa Wherrett  
Staff Writer

The new building for Biggs Auto Renovation is big in many ways, but most definitely on style.

The new building, located at 39025 Warren Road, opened Sept. 19 with a ribbon-cutting by Mayor Sandra Cicirelli. The building was designed to look exactly like the picture of a 1928 building, according to the owners, Robert and Jane Biggs, who found the picture at the Detroit Public Library. They were so enthusiastic about the look of the old building, they commissioned an architect to replicate it.

"We had a friend blow up the picture so we could see all the details," said Jane Biggs, who is the vice-president of marketing and sales at the business. After the

architect, Marvin Steiner and Associates, completed the plans, the couple and their friends began a labor of love to complete the construction.

"One of our friends put down the rosewood floor in the lobby. Another friend put all the wood (oak) on the walls," explained Jane Biggs. "My husband learned how to antique wood. Another friend did the frosted glass in the windows."

The end result is a gleaming new building that has all the upscale detail of a building much older.

"I think it's great that they have maintained an historical look, especially since the Octagon House had been here before," said Natalie Thurmond of the Westland Chamber of Commerce.



The Biggs Auto Renovation building on Warren Road is a replica of a 1928 structure the owners found in a photo at the Detroit Public Library. The couple, along with family and friends, helped replicate the building.

The Biggs' sons lived in the Octagon House until recently, when the house was moved to the Historical Village to make way for the new collision shop. They groundbreaking for the new shop was in May 2002.

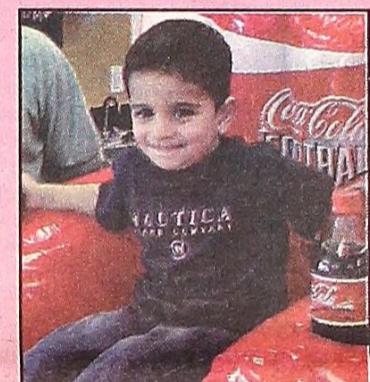
Biggs Auto Renovation specializes in late model collision repair, as well as the repair of antique vehicles. The new facility has 25 bays. Owner and President Robert

Biggs estimated that his company, previously located across the street, repairs about 400 - 500 cars per year.

"(Now that construction is over), I'm looking forward to running my business," said Robert Biggs. "We built a facility that we hope will draw people in that want quality. They're under stress and we're there for them. We're a family-owned business."

Robert and Jane Biggs work at the shop, along with one of their sons, a niece and the family dog, Sasha. They dedicated the new building to Jesus Christ and to the memory of Curtis Loerlein, a long-time customer who was killed in 2002 while attempting to aid an injured motorist on I-75.

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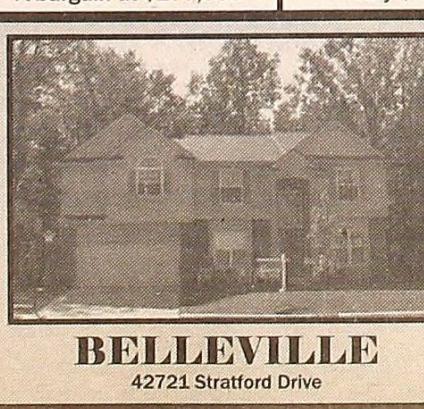
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# Symphony announces 58th season concerts

Scott Spielman  
Editor

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra (PSO) will hit new heights in its 58th season of concert performances.

The orchestra is gearing up for the opening concert in the 58th season, which is entitled *Taking Flight – Music to Make the Spirit Soar*, according to Linda Alvarado, programs coordinator for the PSO.

The opening night concert will take place at 8 p.m. on Oct. 11 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church on North Territorial and Beck roads.

The music takes off with guest artist KrissAnn Weiss, a mezzo soprano, and Ava Ordman, on trombone, who will perform work entitled *Mary Cassatt*, which is inspired by the artist's paintings. The work is written by Libby Larsen, who will be the visiting guest composer that night. Slides of the portraits that inspired the

work will be shown in coordination with the performance.

Also on the program will be Berhöz's Overture, *Beatrice and Benedict*, Von Weber's *Turandot Overture* and Paul Hindemith's *Symphonic Metamorphosis on Themes by Weber*.

Early arrivals will have the opportunity to hear and ask questions of Larsen and Nan Washburn, PSO musical director and conductor, at the special onstage pre concert introduction at the music at 7:15 p.m.

Season subscription passes include opening night and four other concerts, and are available for \$80 for adults and \$70 for seniors.

Individual concert tickets are \$17 for adults and \$15 for seniors. School-aged children (K-12) are admitted free to all subscription concerts when attending with an adult.

For tickets or more information call the symphony office at (734) 451-2112 or visit the web site at [plymouthsymphony.org](http://plymouthsymphony.org)

## 6 vocalists to perform during 'Celebration of the Voice'

St. John's Episcopal Church will host The Lucille Lowery Memorial Concert: A Celebration of the Voice at 4 p.m. on Oct. 19.

Six vocalists will perform at the church, which is located at 574 South Sheldon Road in Plymouth.

All are either voice majors or have recently graduated from the University of Michigan School of Music. They will present

an afternoon of arias and ensemble pieces from Oratorios and Operas and be accompanied by Jeanne Snyder, who is the accompanist for the Detroit Opera.

The vocalists include: Linda Meehan, Jennifer MacDonald, Suzanne Klock, Christine Kapusky, John McLaughlin and Stephen Bobalik.

A freewill offering will be taken.

## OBITUARIES

### TOUZEAU, Dolores

Dolores Touzeau, 84, of Romulus, died Aug. 23.

Among her survivors are her daughters, Sharon Garnatz and Janie (Anthony) Langdon; grandchildren, Cindy (Mark) Zieminski, Michael Garnatz, Chad (Tiffany) Langson and Wade (Nicole) Langdon, and great-grandson, Nathan Zieminski.

Funeral services were at the Taylor Chapel of the Voran Funeral Home.

Interment was at Glen Eden Memorial Park Cemetery.

### BONNICKI, Joseph

Joseph Bonnicki, 77, of Van Buren Township, died Sept. 10 at home.

Among his survivors are his wife of 57 years, Hilma I. (Haney) Bonnicki; sons, Robert J. (Denyse) Bonnicki and Michael J. Bonnicki, all of Belleville; a daughter, Kimberly (Reginald) Lon, also of Belleville; sisters, Jessie Pitre of Plymouth and Jennie Hartwig of Florida; seven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Bonnicki retired after 33 years at Ford Motor Co.

A funeral mass was celebrated at St. Anthony Catholic Church where Mr. Bonnicki was a member and active with the Rosary Club. Father Thomas H. Cusick was the celebrant.

Interment was at Hillside Cemetery.

Arrangements were entrusted to the David C. Brown Funeral Home.

### WILBER, Clyde Richard

Clyde Richard Wilber, 44, of Romulus, died Sept. 15 at St. Joseph Hospital.

Among his survivors are his mother, Wilma Wilber; a daughter, Anita Wilber; sisters, Theresa Klemas and Cynthia Hull;

brothers, Gardner Wilber Jr., Kenneth Duane Wilber and John Wilber; a granddaughter, Deziree O'Kopski, and a grandson, Brendan Wilber.

Funeral services were at the West Wayne Kingdom Hall.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Uht Funeral Home in Westland.

### DOLENTZ, William Frank

William Frank Dolentz, 85, of Belleville, died Sept. 15 at home.

Among his survivors are his daughter, Gayle L. (Robert) Murray of Nigeria and four grandchildren, Amy, David, John and Matthew.

Mr. Dolentz served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was a member of the Retired Police Officers Association.

Funeral services were at the David C. Brown Funeral Home with Pastor John F. Losen officiating.

Interment was at Hillside Cemetery.

### KOSZEDNAR, Stephan J.

Stephan J. Koszednar, 86, of Romulus died Sept. 21.

Among his survivors are his wife, Helen; children, Richard (Sharon) and Joyce (Dale) Lennox; grandchildren, Aaron, Trisha and Matt Lennox, Jeffrey (Julie) Sona and Jennifer (Kent) Hall; great-grandsons, Kyle Hall and Nicholas Sona; a sister, Victoria Leedy, and a brother, John Koszednar.

Funeral services were at St. Aloysius Catholic Church in Romulus.

Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park.

Arrangements were entrusted to Michigan Memorial Funeral Home in Huron Township.

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 16, 2003

Supervisor King called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor King, Clerk Payne, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Hart, Trustee Herman, Trustee Jahr and Trustee Rochowiak. Absent and excused: None. Others in attendance: Planning and Economic Development Director Kelley, Interim Public Safety Director Smolen, Recreation and Facilities Director Ross, Secretary Cline and an audience of five (5).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Payne moved, Hart seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

MINUTES: Jahr moved, Hart seconded to approve the Work Study Session Minutes of September 2, 2003, as presented. Carried.

Rochowiak moved, Payne seconded to approve the Executive Session Minutes of September 2, 2003, as presented. Carried.

Herman moved, Budd seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 2, 2003, as presented. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: A thank you letter from a resident to Officer Thompson for his assistance.

A thank you letter from the Belleville Fire Department to the Van Buren Fire Department for their assistance during a recent fire in the City of Belleville.

Van Buren Township is in receipt of a Bronze Sponsor certificate from the American Red Cross for providing ongoing support to the blood supply of our community.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Hart moved, Payne seconded to adopt Resolution 2003-34 the cost allocation for the South Huron Valley Utility Authority (SHVUA) Equalization Basin. Carried.

Payne moved, Jahr seconded to approve the 2004 SMART Municipal Credit Contract and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the contract. Carried.

Herman moved, Hart seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 09-16-03 repealing Article IX of Chapter 86 of the Code of General Ordinances in its entirety, and adopting the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority Sewer Use Regulations. Carried.

\*(A synopsis of Ordinance 09-16-03 follows the minutes. A complete copy may also be obtained in the Clerk's Office, Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road during normal business hours.)

Budd moved, Hart seconded to approve the recommendation of Director Kelley for the Belleville Area Museum renovation contract with Davenport Brothers Construction Company in the amount of \$17,125 with an additional \$1,100 for contingency purposes. Carried.

VOUCHER LIST: Budd moved, Hart seconded to approve the September 16, 2003 voucher list as presented. Carried.

REPORTS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: On Friday, September 19th the September Days Senior Center will host an Art Exhibit at the Township Hall.

On Sunday, September 28th the Van Buren Fire Department will hold a training burn at an abandoned structure located at 14461 Elwell Road.

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day, sponsored by the Environmental Quality Company will be held on Saturday, October 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Environmental Quality Company parking lot located at 49350 North I-94 Service Drive for Van Buren Township residents to dispose of hazardous waste in an environmentally safe manner.

The Parks and Recreation Department announced the following: The "Not So Scary Haunted Forest" for children ages two to eleven years old will be held on Saturday, October 4th. The "Haunted Forest" will be held on the following Friday and Saturday nights during the month of October: 10th and 11th, 17th and 18th, and 24th and 25th from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at Van Buren Park. A Babysitters Class taught by the American Red Cross on October 2nd and 9th. For further information contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 699-8921.

AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items): None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Hart moved, Herman seconded to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted  
Joannie D. Payne, CMC  
Township Clerk

Cindy C. King  
Township Supervisor

Publish: September 25, 2003

# SPORTS

# Chiefs hold off rally to beat Walled Lake, 33-28

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

The Canton Chiefs' juggernaut varsity football team sweated out another win last week in a tense last-second standoff against Walled Lake Western. The Chiefs won, but not without effort, 33-28.

Western struck first with a touchdown on their first possession to put them up 7-0. After that, it was all Canton.

Led by their backfield, the Chiefs put up 20 points in the second quarter to end the half with a 20-7 lead, according to coach Tim Baechler. They capitalized on three of Westerns' second-quarter turnovers in a 2:30 minute span, he said.

To start the second half, Canton ate five minutes off the clock as they marched down the field on their opening possession to score again and put them up 26-7.

The high-octane offense was lead by Travis McKinney with 97 yards on 17 carries and one touchdown.

Devin Thomas contributed with 40 yards rushing, 52 yards receiving and two touchdowns. Chuck Schumacher also had two touchdowns on runs of 25 yards.

**dominant** and 1 yard, according to Baechler.

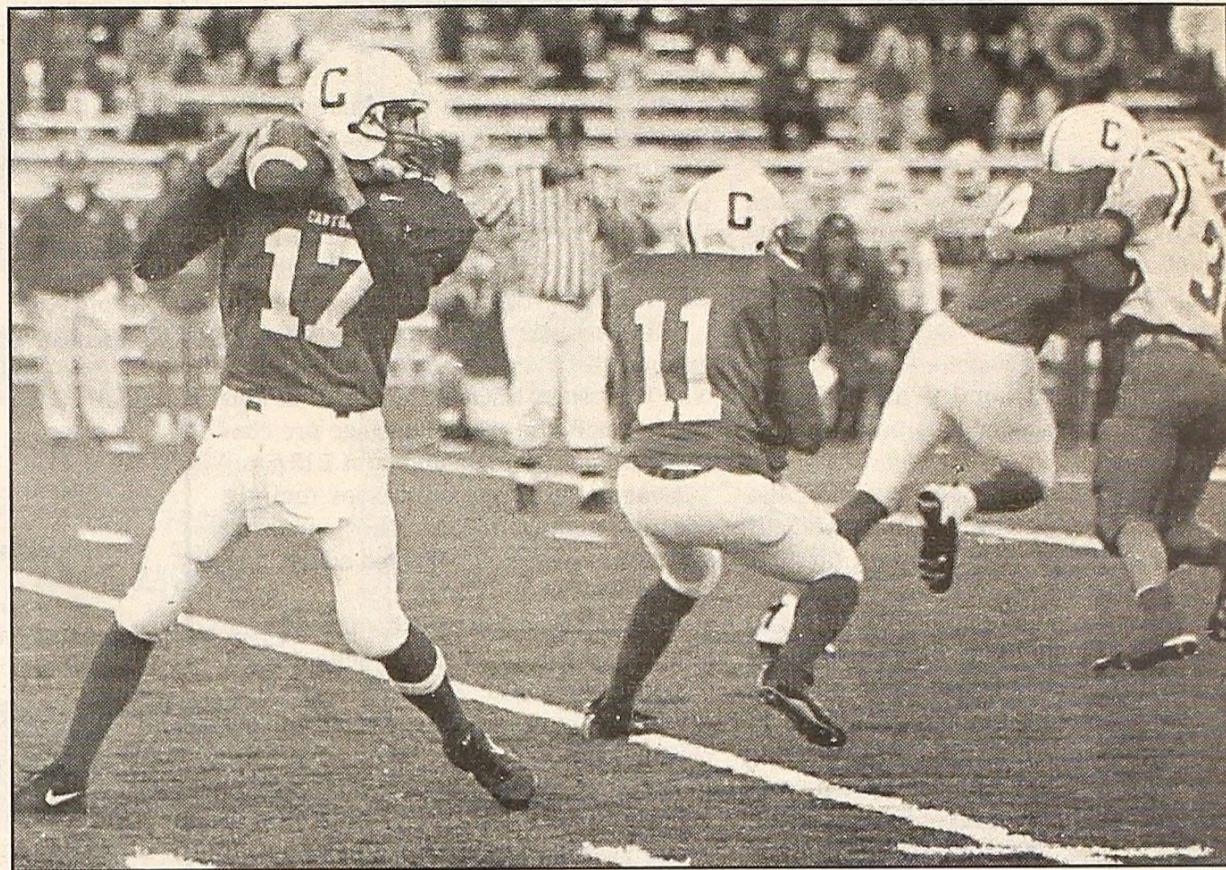
Although the game appeared to be under Canton's control, Western made a fourth-quarter surge to nearly come back and win.

"I was disappointed in how we finished the game," Baechler said. "We gave up 21 points in the fourth quarter."

Western was lead by quarterback Peter Mooney who passed for more than 200 yards including an 84-yard scoring drive. Western had two on-side kick attempts that had mixed results.

Canton recovered the first Western on-side kick attempt

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The Canton Chiefs held off Walled Lake Western last week to remain undefeated.

only to fumble it on their 31-yard line, according to Baechler. From there, Western was able to punch it in for a score.

Western attempted another on-side kick and recovered it themselves to put a drive together with only 2:23 left in the game, he said.

"Western made some great throws and some great catches," Baechler said.

Canton's defense did come through. On a second-down play, the Chiefs sacked Mooney for a loss, said Baechler. On third-and-long defensive back Julian Smith sealed the victory for Canton with an interception with only nine seconds remaining in the game, he said. Canton let the time expire to win the game 33-28.

morrow night at home against Stevenson High School.

"We have to concentrate on their running game," Baechler said about Stevenson. "We have to figure out how to shut them down."

"We're not dominant enough to just show up and beat people. The last two games we didn't put the game away like we should have - I'm very concerned."

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# Monroe sends Romulus to first season loss

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

The Romulus Eagles' basketball team suffered their first loss this season against Monroe last Thursday.

The Eagles were 6-0 before they went on the road to play Monroe, a top Mega Red Division team, but fell 59-53.

"You tend to sit back a little when you have a perfect record," said Romulus Coach Rhonda McAllister. "You get a false sense of reality. You get a sense that you're perfect."

"It was a tough loss and the girls were upset, which is good. It shows that they don't like to lose. It showed a hunger to win. That hunger needs to be there all of the time. It was a good learning experience."

Despite the loss it was good team effort that kept the Eagles in the game and brought them back from a 16 point deficit in the first half, McAllister said.

The first half ended with a 33-17 score in favor of Monroe.

"We started out slow," McAllister said. "But I was really pleased with our second half effort. We outscored them in the second half. We just fell short at the end."

The Eagles slowly chipped away at Monroe's lead. With only 1:30 left in the game, the Eagles narrowed the gap to only two points, 55-53.

Throughout the second half the Eagles played tough defense and pressed Monroe to the end. However, their aggressive style caused fouls and sent Monroe shooters to the line, according to McAllister, and the game ended 59-53.

"It was a great game," she said. "Monroe is an excellent team, but I thought we played great."

Janiece Armstrong led the Eagles with 21 points, three assists and three rebounds. Erica Mims scored 14 and had five assists, four steals and four rebounds. Ashley Sibby also reached double digits with 11 points. She also recorded five assists, eight rebounds and blocked three shots.

Another big contributor to the team effort was Landria Buckley, McAllister said. Buckley only had two points in the game but picked up nine rebounds and four steals.

"She was a major contributor to getting us back in the game," McAllister said. "She played great defense. She was everywhere. We wouldn't have been able to get back in the game if it wasn't for her."

The loss came after a tremendous 73-44 victory over the Wayne Memorial Zebras earlier last week.

The Eagles demonstrated some great passing plays in the fast-paced first half, which led to a score of 32-24 at half time. However, it was closer than McAllister thought it should be.

"The first half was not the team I'm used to coaching," McAllister said. "Wayne came to play - we didn't. The team effort wasn't there in the first half. The intensity wasn't there. The second half was much better."

In the second half, a combination of the Eagles' tough defense and accurate offense took over. The Eagles scored 25 points in the third quarter and the defense held the Zebras to only nine points in the third quarter and recorded 14 steals and 25

rebounds throughout the game.

The score was 57-33 at the end of the third and the Eagles maintained their lead to end the game 73-44.

On offense it was Armstrong who led the team again with 16 points and eight assists. She also went 10-11 from the free throw line.

On defense she had eight rebounds and seven steals.

Mims and Sibby both scored 15 points each. Mims had three assists, six rebounds, and four steals and blocked two shots. Sibby had five assists and three steals.

Alicia Harbor contributed with 11 points and 11 rebounds.

"Wayne played tough," McAllister said. "They played aggressively to the last minute."

"They were tough," said Wayne Coach Dan Kaminski. "We knew that coming here, though."

"I thought our girls played tough. They play that way every time, like they don't know what the score is. It could be a five point game or a 50 point game - they'll play just as hard."

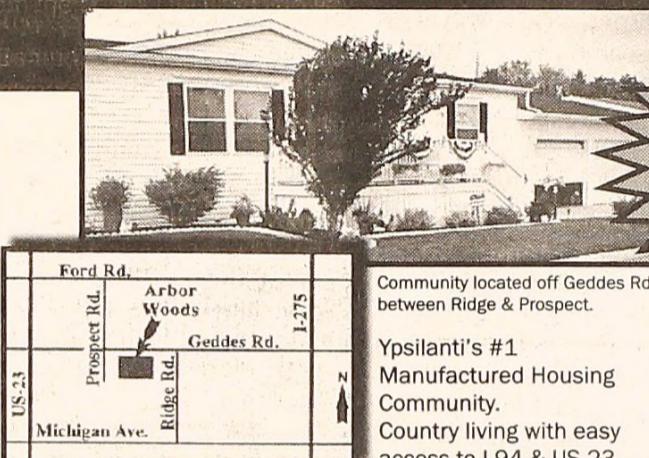
Wayne played and lost their first division game last Thursday 44-18 to Salem. The Zebras play Franklin at home tonight.

Romulus will play their first division game tonight at home against Truman.

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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN ORDINANCE NO. 09-16-03

Ypsilanti Communities Utilities Authority Sewer Use Regulations

First Reading of Ordinance 09-16-03, Second reading for adoption will be held at the 7:30 p.m. regular meeting of the Board of Trustee on Tuesday, 10-07-03 to be held in the Board Room, in the Van Buren Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, Michigan 48111.

An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances, Charter Township of Van Buren by repealing Article IX of Chapter 86 (Sections 86-451 through 86-524) of the Van Buren Township Code of Ordinances and adopting the Ypsilanti Communities Utilities Authority Sewer Use Regulations.

### DIVISION 1. GENERALLY

Sec. 1. Applicability of article and Repeal of Former Ordinance.  
Sec. 2. Definitions.  
Sec. 3. Abbreviations.  
Sec. 4. Protection from damage.

### DIVISION 2. ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

Sec. 5. Permit or authorization required.  
Sec. 6. Information required prior to connection to system.  
Sec. 7. Reporting required after promulgation or revision of a pretreatment standard and reporting from a new source.  
Sec. 8. Additional reporting required and periodic report requirements.  
Sec. 9. Powers of the YCUA.

Sec. 10. Sampling and monitoring facilities may be required.

Sec. 11. Right to access of facilities for inspection, sampling, records examination, record copying or other duties.

Sec. 12. Compliance with article provisions required.

Sec. 13. Confidentiality of information.

Sec. 14. Enforcement by township.

Sec. 15. Records, accounts, audits, classification of users, insurance.

Sec. 16. Powers and authority of inspectors.

Sec. 17. Enforcement Process.

Sec. 18. Same — Surcharges, fees.

Sec. 19. Permit — Requirements for nondomestic users.

Sec. 20. Same — Application.

Sec. 21. Same — contents.

Sec. 22. Same — Issuance process.

Sec. 23. Penalty for violation of article; liability of user.

Sec. 24. Funding.

### DIVISION 3. BUILDING SEWERS AND CONNECTIONS

Sec. 25. Permit required.

Sec. 26. Classes of permits; application; fees.

Sec. 27. Costs of connection to be borne by owner; indemnification of township and YCUA.  
Sec. 28. Separate building sewer for each building required; exception.  
Sec. 29. Use of old building sewers with new buildings.  
Sec. 30. Construction specifications.  
Sec. 31. Elevation.  
Sec. 32. Prohibited connections.  
Sec. 33. Connection specifications.  
Sec. 34. Inspection; supervision of connection.  
Sec. 35. Guards for excavations; restoration of public property.

### DIVISION 4. USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS

Sec. 36. Required.  
Sec. 37. Unpolluted discharges.  
Sec. 38. Grease, oil and sand interceptors.  
Sec. 39. Prohibited discharges.  
Sec. 40. Promulgation of more stringent standards.  
Sec. 41. Prohibited concentrations of certain pollutants and mercury reduction plan.  
Sec. 42. Sampling, measurements, tests and analyses.  
Sec. 43. Surcharge for discharges of unusual strength.  
Sec. 44. Special agreements authorized.  
Sec. 45. Dilution of discharge.  
Sec. 46. Accidental discharges.  
Sec. 47. Determination of sewage flow.  
Sec. 48. Disposal at sewage treatment plant.  
Sec. 49. Bypass.  
Sec. 50. Report of violation.  
Sec. 51. Notification of authorities upon discharge of hazardous waste.

### DIVISION 5. PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Sec. 52. Authorized under certain conditions.  
Sec. 53. Permit required; application; fees.  
Sec. 54. Inspection by township and YCUA  
Sec. 55. Specifications.  
Sec. 56. Connection with public sewer.  
Sec. 57. Sanitary maintenance required.  
Sec. 58. Other requirements.

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township.

YEAS : King, Payne, Budd, Hart, Herman, Jahr and Rochowiak.  
NAYS : None.  
ABSENT: None.

Joannie D. Payne, CMC  
Clerk

Publish: September 25, 2003

# Rockets get on track with 2 consecutive wins

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

Westland John Glenn's varsity football team pounded on Churchill 37-14 to gain their first road win of the season, but the Zebras' Head Coach Chuck Gordon didn't take the blowout lightly.

"It was a good solid win for us," he said. "It was the first time we won on the road and that's something you have to do. But we didn't play as well as we should."

The Rockets scored 21 points in the first half but traded touchdowns the entire way to make the score 21-14 at the end of the half, he said.

The defense really stepped it up in the second half and held Churchill to only one first down the entire half, Gordon said.

The Rockets' defense helped add points to the scoreboard. They scored two points on a safety when they sacked Churchill's quarterback when he attempted to take the snap from the end zone, according to Gordon.

The defense didn't do it all themselves. The Rocket's offense posted another 14 points in the second half.

Senior Matt Smitherman rushed for 237 yards on 25 carries and scored three touchdowns to lead the Rockets. One of

the runs was an 83-yard jaunt to the end zone.

Junior quarterback Vinnie DeLuca made his season debut last week in the win. He missed the first three games because of a broken foot he suffered in a summer baseball league.

DeLuca went 6-9 for 109 yards and two touchdowns. Wide receiver John Adams caught five of the six passes for 98 yards and nabbed both touchdown passes.

Kicker Tom Henley went 5-6 for extra points to contribute to the giant road win.

"We mixed the run and pass effectively," Gordon said. "It was a good win."

The win against Churchill was the second in a row for John Glenn with a win two weeks ago against Franklin.

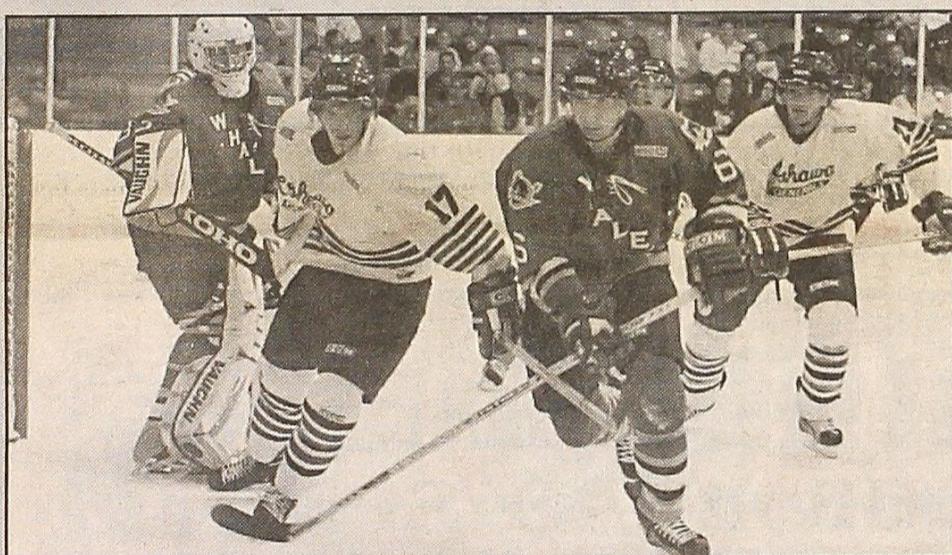
"The win against Franklin was a good win to get back on track," Gordon said.

Before Franklin, the Rockets had a disheartening loss to a still undefeated Canton.

However, the two-game winning streak sets their record at 3-1 overall.

The Rockets play Northville at home tomorrow night.

"They can be an explosive wide-open offense," Gordon said of Northville. "It could cause some problems in preparation."



The Whalers started the season off on the wrong foot with a loss to the Oshawa Generals in their home opener.

## Whalers open on sour note

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

The Plymouth Whalers floundered in both their season opener and their home opener last weekend with losses to the Kitchener Rangers and Oshawa Generals.

The Whalers were smoked 10-4 in their loss to the defending champions out of Kitchener last Friday night.

The Whalers also did get some help on offense from rookies Gino Pisellini and Mike Martinelli. They both scored their first goals of their career. John Vigilante and James Wisniewski also scored for Plymouth.

The Whalers also flopped in their home opener Saturday night with a 5-2 loss to the Oshawa Generals.

It was the rookies Martinelli and Pisellini that stepped up on offense again to score for Plymouth.

Plymouth took an early lead with Martinelli's goal in the first period. Tim Sestito recorded the assist with a pass to Martinelli who put the puck past the General's goalie, Ryan Gibb. Nick Vernelli also gained an assist.

Oshawa scored twice in the second period to take a 2-1 lead with goals from Ryan Kitchen and Ben Eager.

The Generals increased their lead to 3-1 with another goal from Eager.

Pisellini scored on a power play on a feed from John Mitchell to keep the Whalers in the game with a 3-2 score.

Oshawa bounced back with a power play goal by Paul Ranger to make it a 4-2 game. The Generals added an empty-net goal to finish the Whalers off 5-2.

The losses move the Whalers to 0-2 to start the season.

Whaler's Head Coach and General Manager Mike Vellucci said the team has acquired prospect goaltender Ian Keserich from the Sudbury Wolves. The Wolves will receive a 2004 10th round draft pick in return. Keserich will play this season in the NAHL, he said.

The Whalers play on the road against the Kingston Frontenacs at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow and on the road again against the Belleville Bulls at 7:15 p.m. on Saturday.

Plymouth's next home game will be at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 3 against the Owen Sound Attack.

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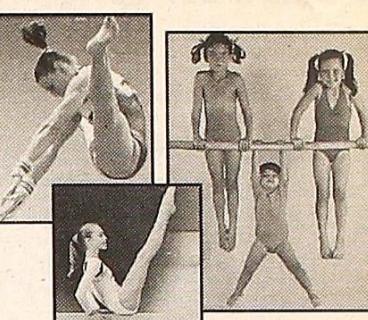
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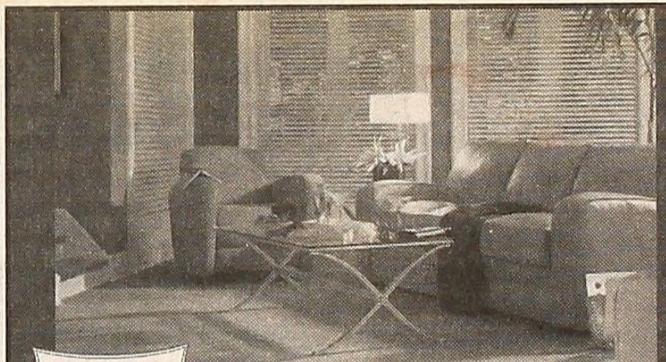
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# Wayne Zebras dominate Livonia Franklin varsity

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

Senior tailback Tyrone Dillard led the Wayne Zebras' varsity football team to a big victory last week over Livonia Franklin.

The Zebras sealed the victory at 21-6. Their record now stands 3-1 overall.

"I thought this might be a let-down game," said Head Coach Craig Hnatuk. "It was the first game that we were favored. So I was a little tentative going into the game."

Dillard had 203 yards on 33 carries and scored all three of Wayne's touchdowns, according to Hnatuk.

The first play from scrimmage on their first possession led to an 88-yard touchdown run by Dillard, he said.

Later in the first half, Wayne was forced to punt, which was blocked by Franklin and they recovered on Wayne's 3-yard line.

Franklin's offense ran a bootleg pass play into the end zone, which Wayne's Justin Venegoni intercepted as a touch back. Wayne gained possession on their 20-yard line, according to Hnatuk.

"We had a 7-0 lead and the interception was huge for us," he said.

Dillard scored again in the

second quarter to put Wayne up 15-0.

Franklin marched down the field one last time in the first half. They were in scoring position when Wayne's Steven Frost picked off a pass which led to the end of the half, said Hnatuk.

The Zebras' last touchdown came early in the fourth quarter. Dillard finished off a 70-yard drive with an 8-yard run to seal their victory 21-6.

J.R. Fells contributed on offense with key receptions including one on fourth-and-twelve to keep a scoring drive alive, Hnatuk said.

Beside the two interceptions, Wayne's defense also had to fumble recoveries that helped keep Franklin's offensive off the field, according to Hnatuk.

"I was very pleased with how we played defensively," he said. "The front three dominated. They are lightning fast and shut down the running game."

Chris Wells, Justin Bowie and John Lloyd held Franklin to just 78 yards on the ground.

The Zebras moved to a 3-1 record and will play Livonia Churchill tomorrow night at home.

It should be quite the grudge match with Wayne's ex-Head Coach Floyd Carter as the offensive coordinator for Churchill now.



## Going 'fore' it

The Romulus Eagles varsity golf team stands at 2-2 for the season. The team, from left to right, includes Head Coach Paul Niedermeyer, Ron Brown, Jeff Hottman, Lester Hardy, William Williams, Roe Hollis, Todd Modrzynski and assistant coach Karl Wukie. Their next meet will be away at Dearborn Fordson on Sept. 29.

# Rocks fall to Northville and Stevenson

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

Maranon Swasey 6-4, 6-1 and Amy Knoth beat Katie Waldeck 6-1, 7-5 to finish off the singles competition, according to Ware.

The Mustangs swept the Rocks in the doubles competition with wins from Amanda Darish and Jen Harkness who overpowered Mo Bohr and Sara Jose 6-2, 6-3.

Jackie Taylor and Jennie Powers defeated Katie Girsikis and Jordan Falcusan 6-2, 6-0 at the number two spot. Kate Thomas and Laura Krsterich of Northville beat Michele Cilia and Erica Shy 6-1, 6-1. The number four team of Catalina Oaida and Maria Rice defeated Raluca Bugescu and Kelly Lepper 6-0, 6-2.

Missy Nelson recorded Salem's only win in the number-two singles match. Nelson shut out Shannon Farris 6-0 in the first set and won the second set 6-2, Salem Coach Lin Ware said.

For Northville, Erica Dobson defeated Alex Ware 6-2, 6-0 in the number-one match. At the Mustangs number-three spot, Chelsea Johnson, defeated

conference match loss.

She lost her first set to Amanda Khoury 3-6 but bounced back and won the next two sets 6-2, 6-3 for the win, said Ware.

Although the Rocks lost 7-1, three other matches went to three sets, according to Ware. Number three singles Swasey pushed her match to three sets against Julie Wagener but lost 6-3, 3-6, 6-1.

Number two doubles team of Girsikis and Falcusan lost to Kristen Weisner and Karen Dimopolis in three sets 4-6, 6-2, 6-4. The number three team of Reeva Patel and Shilee Patel lost to Angeline Chan and Val Buxton 6-3, 4-6, 6-0.

The loss to Stevenson put the Rocks record at 3-2 in conference play. Salem is set to play Walled Lake Northern tonight at home.

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# Riley leads Robichaud hoopsters

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

Every now and then a person comes along in the sports industry – be it prep, college or professional sports, male or female – who is so inherently gifted that they turn heads wherever they go.

At Robichaud High School in Dearborn Heights, senior Mary Riley does just that.

Teams stack up to defend her on the basketball court. They double and triple team her but she still manages to score an average of 29 points a game, said Robichaud Coach Warren Woods.

"She's the one player we had to worry about," said Romulus Coach Rhonda McAllister. "I knew we would have to try and contain her in order to win."

Romulus did beat Robichaud

but couldn't contain Riley. Riley scored 40 points against the undefeated Romulus Eagles, in one game. It was shy of her record of 44 points when they played Highland Park last year, according to Riley.

"It makes me feel good," she said about teams focusing on her. "It makes me play harder."

Currently Riley is ranked 15th in the state, according to Woods.

"I think she's the best player in the state," he said. "But, then again, I'm probably a little biased."

The quiet, conservative, polite and somewhat shy Riley is anything but that when she steps onto the court. There, she's a giant.

"I know I have to go hard," Riley said of when she steps on the court. "I have to be my best with people watching."

In addition to the 29 points a

game she racks up triple doubles on a normal basis.

"She does it all," said Woods. "She's a great passer, she rebounds and, of course, she can shoot."

"She's a leader out there. A lot of the younger players look up to her. They want to be like her."

Riley said there is no added pressure with the admiration that younger players have for her. She said that she enjoys working and helping them. Her inspiration comes from her parents and brothers, she said.

Riley doesn't play any other sports, probably because she plays basketball all year long. In the off-season of high school ball she plays in a Michigan AAU league. She gets to travel the United States and play against some of the best players in the country.

She has traveled to Las Vegas,

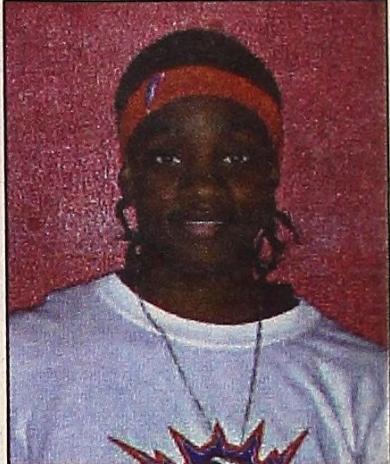
Seattle, Oregon and Washington D.C. and her favorite place to play was in New Orleans.

"It was a good competition," Riley said. "The teams are lot more competitive."

Her action on the court has caught the eye of several college recruiters including Michigan State University and the University of Southern California.

"I want her to stay close to home," her mother Beverly Riley said. "I want her to go to where she will get a good education. Education comes first, and basketball second. I want her to have something to fall back on."

Riley said she hasn't decided where to go yet, but a good education is a priority. After college her goal is to enter the draft for the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA).



Mary Riley

"That's been her goal since the beginning," her mother said. "To play for the WNBA."

Every now and then an athlete comes along and turns heads, not because she's a great player, but because she's a great person on top of being a great player.

"She's a much better person than she is a player," said Woods. "She's outstanding, she takes everything in strides."

## Salem Rocks railed by Stevenson Spartans in 35-7 loss

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

Turnovers and mistakes hurt the Plymouth Salem Rocks' varsity football team in a 35-7 loss on the road against Stevenson.

The 1-3 Rocks couldn't stop the running tandem of Stevenson's junior fullback Kevin Domingo and senior tailback Dave King who had a combined four touchdowns.

Domingo scored on runs of 15 and 50 yards and King rushed for the other two goals from 10 and 12 yards out.

The score remained close at halftime with Stevenson ahead 14-7.

Quarter back Chris Drabicki scored the Rocks' only touchdown in the second quarter with a 15-yard run to keep them in the game. He rushed for a total of 40 yards in the game and went 5-12

for 60 yards passing, according to Salem head coach Bob Cummings.

Jeff Lake contributed on offense with 82 yards on seven carries and Mike Kerul rushed for 56 yards on 10 carries.

"We started out slow out slow," Cummings said. "We drove the ball down the field a couple of times but couldn't score. They intercepted our pass and then they pretty much took control of the game."

Stevenson scored 21 points in the third quarter, he said. "We made a lot of mistakes. We need to eliminate them. That's something we're working on."

Turnovers have plagued the Rocks in a previous game against Churchill where they lost in a close 28-21 game. The Rocks have four turnovers including an interception on their last drive that ended the game.

They also lost to Northville 27-

20. The Rocks were able to come back from a deficit and tie the game at 20. Northville was able to intercept a pass that ended that game, also.

Salem plays undefeated Walled Lake Central at 7 p.m. tonight on the road.

"They're undefeated but we should match up well against them," Cummings said. "If we can eliminate our mistakes we should be all right."

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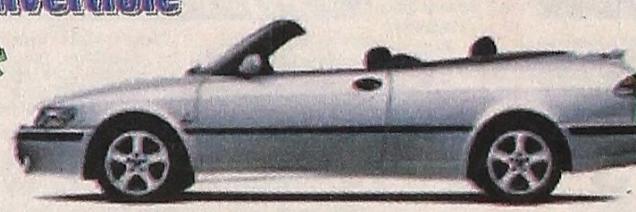
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